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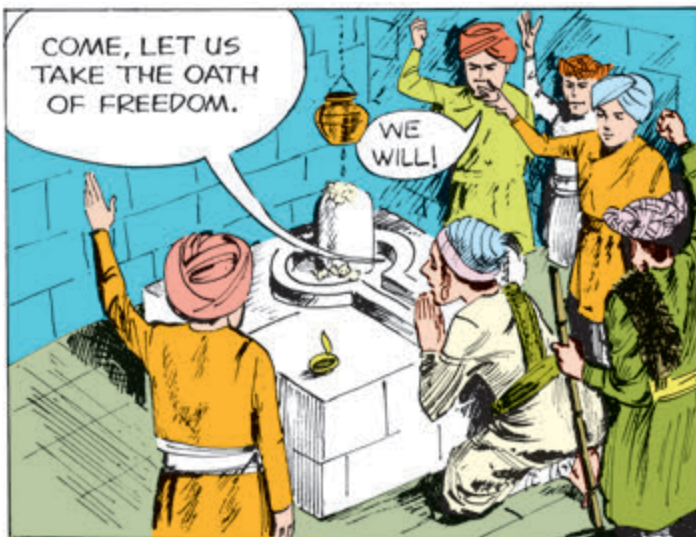
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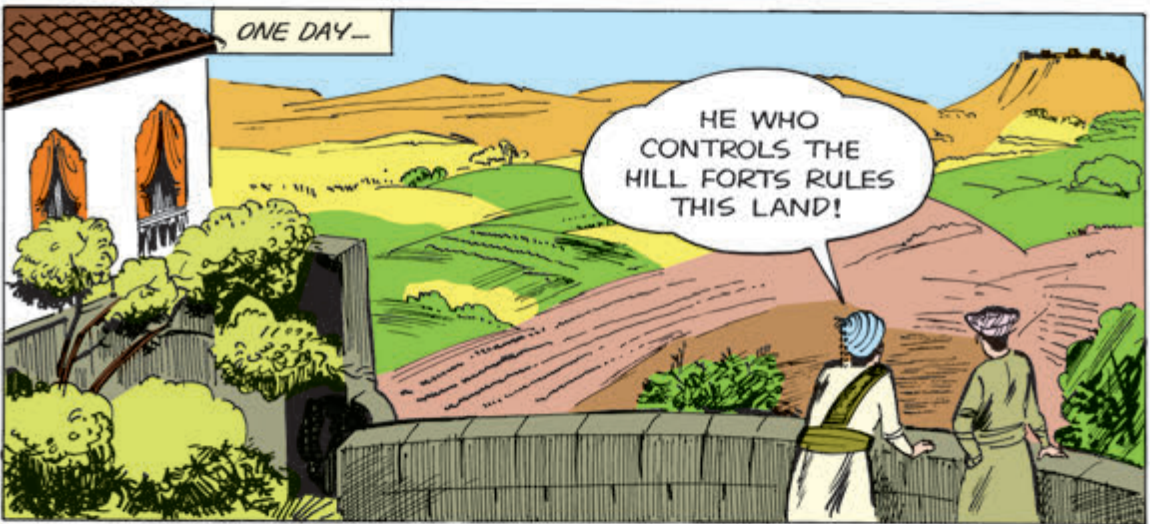


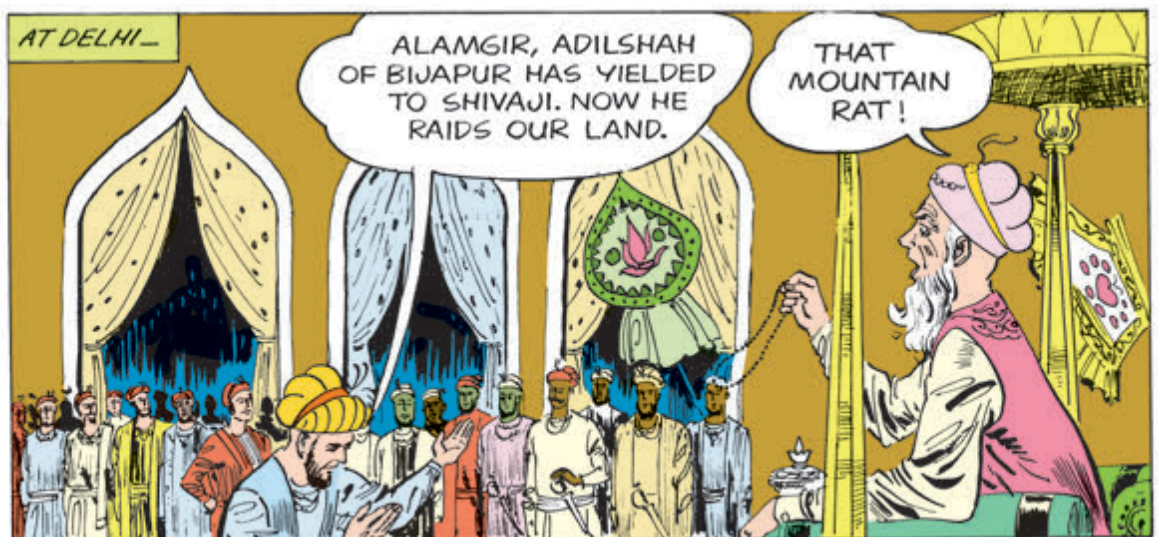
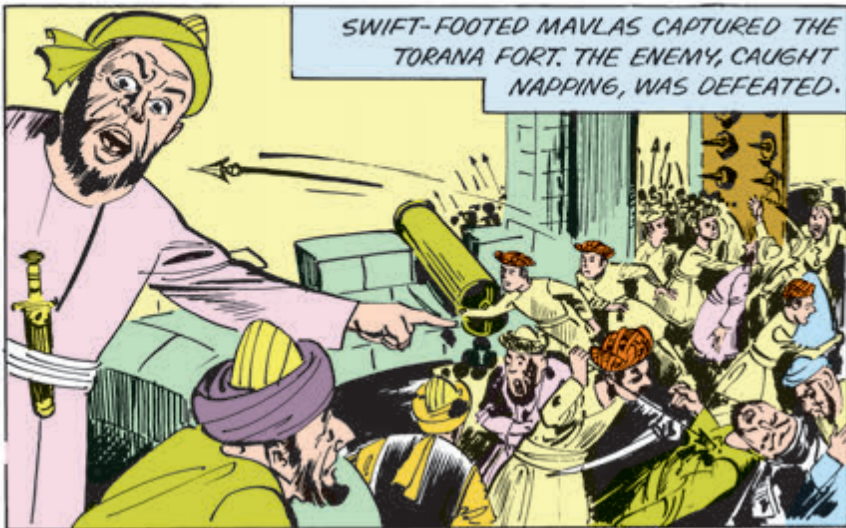
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AT RAIRESHWAR TEMPLE IN MAHARASHTRA.



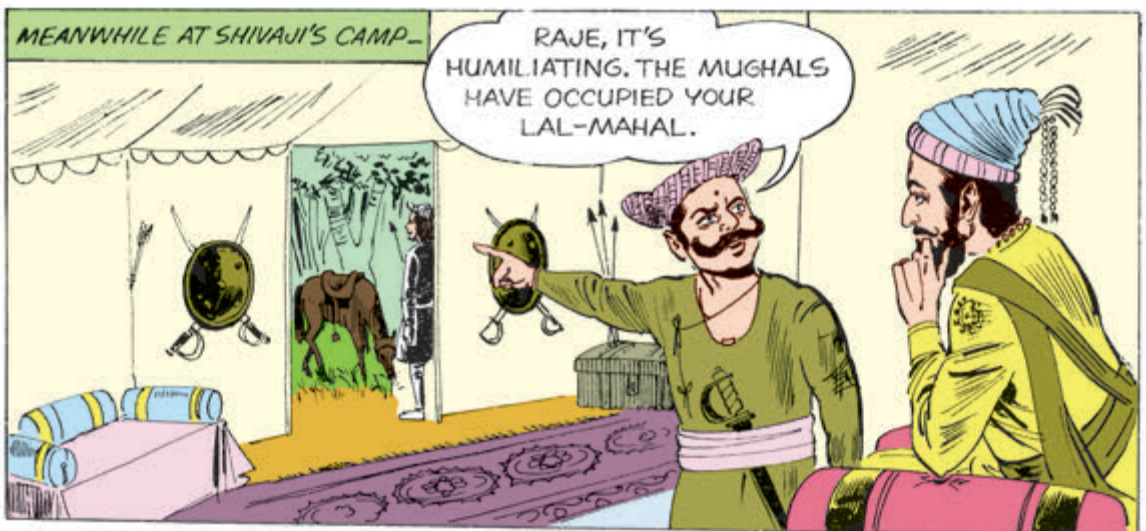
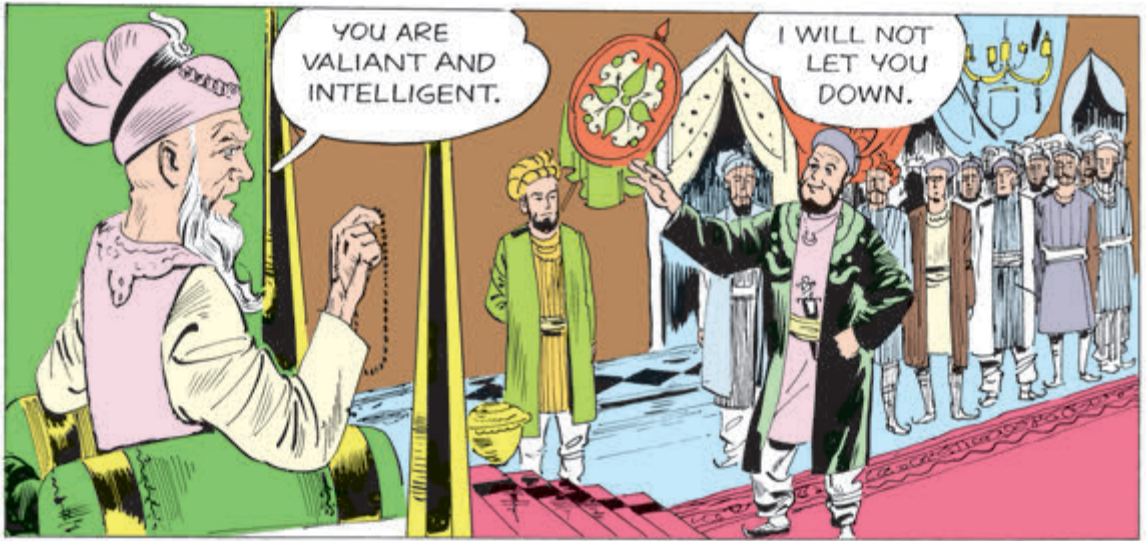


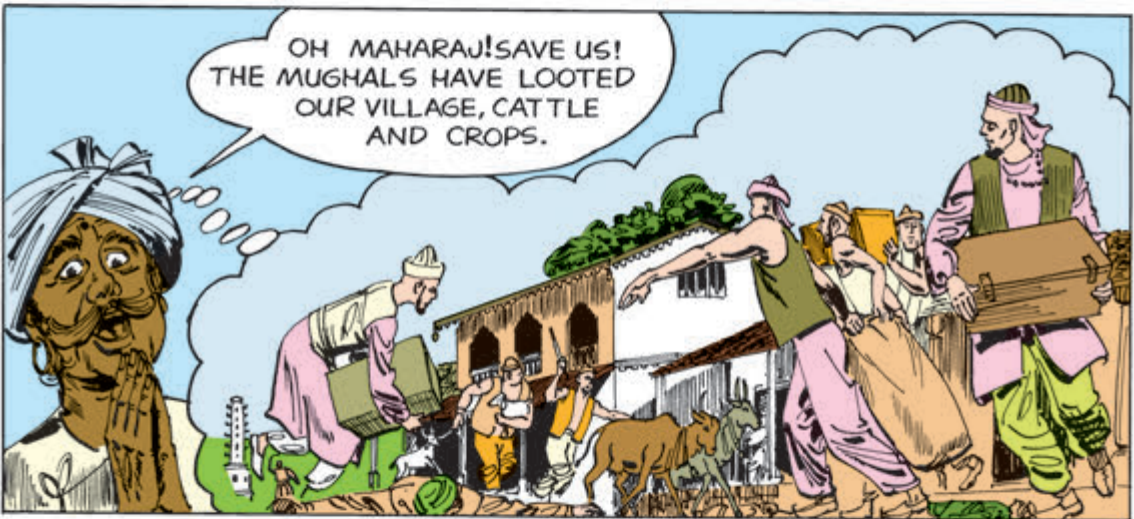




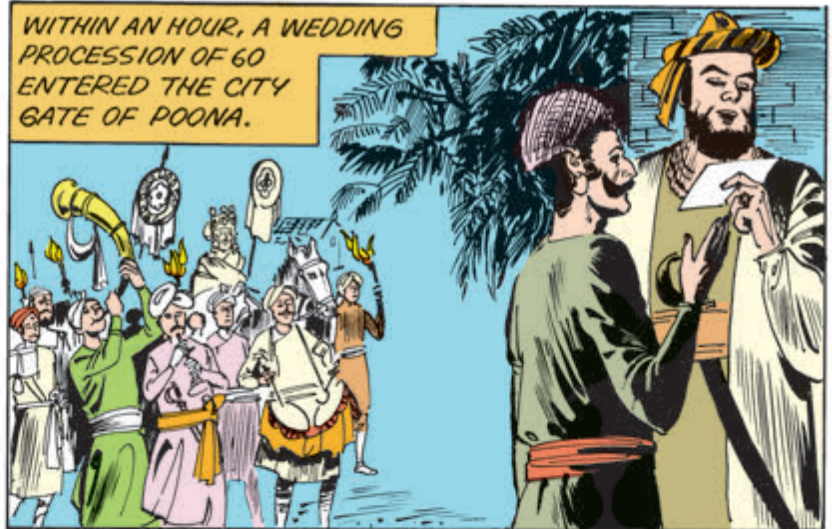


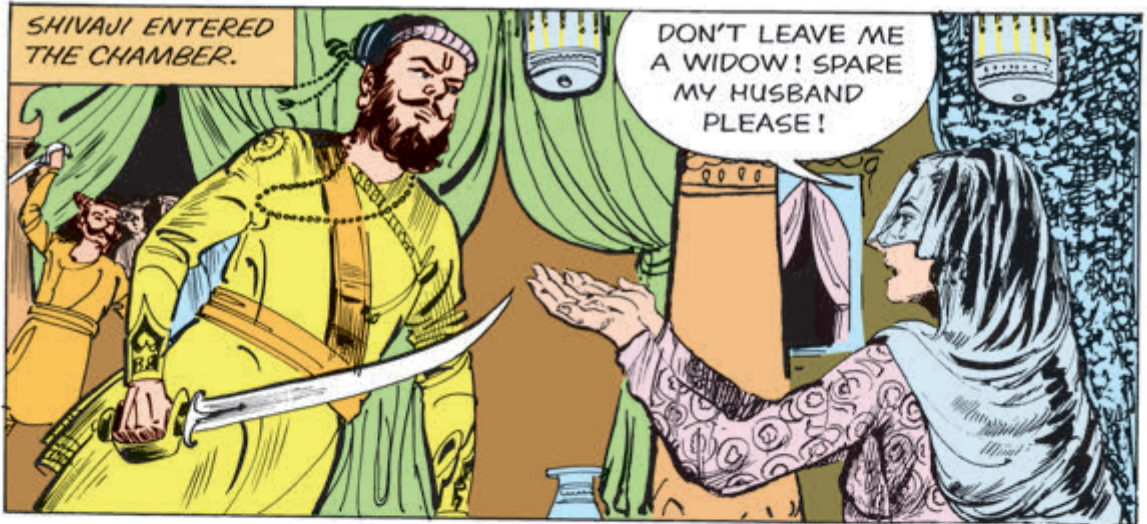












THE MUGHAL SOLDIERS PURSUED THE MARATHAS.



IT WAS TOO LATE WHEN THEY KNEW THEY WERE TRICKED.

OH! THE KAFIRS
HAVE FOOLED US.

THEY TIED TORCHES
TO THE HORNS OF
THEIR CATTLE —



POONA WAS BACK IN THE
HANDS OF SHIVAJI, BUT...

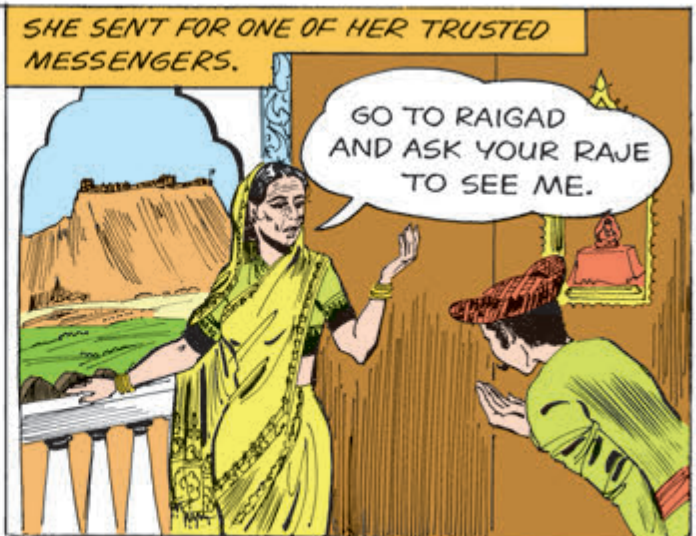
KONDANA IS
AGAIN IN THE
HANDS OF THE
ENEMY.

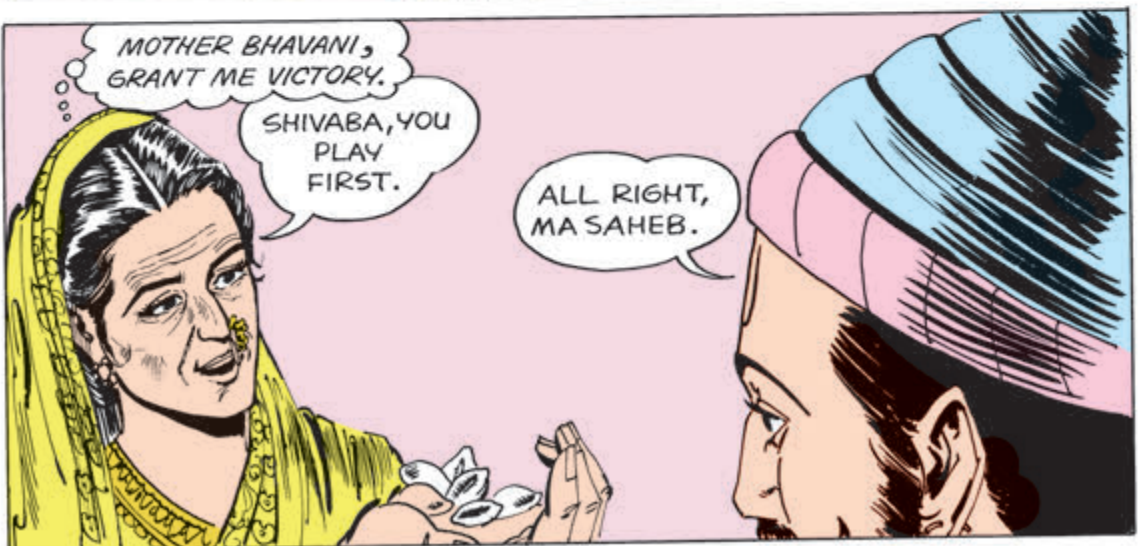
THE THOUGHT MADE
JHABAI UNHAPPY.



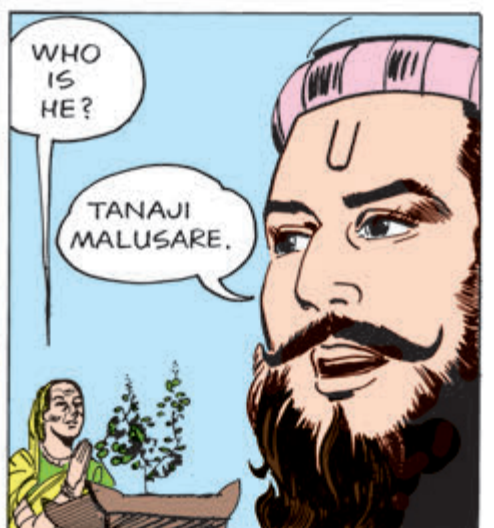
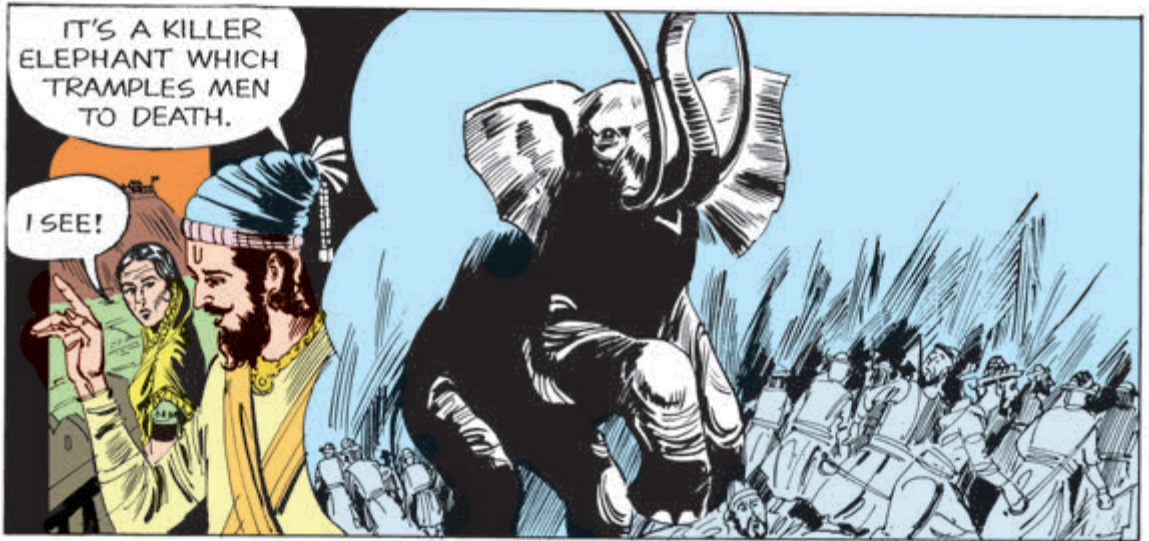
SHE SENT FOR ONE OF HER TRUSTED
MESSENGERS.

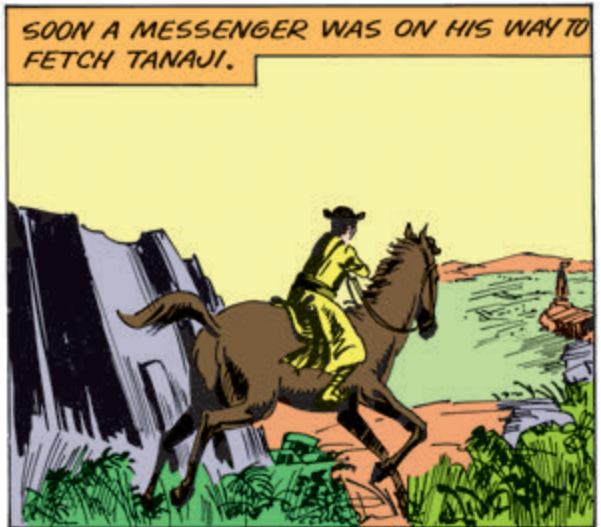
GO TO RAIGAD
AND ASK YOUR RAJE
TO SEE ME.

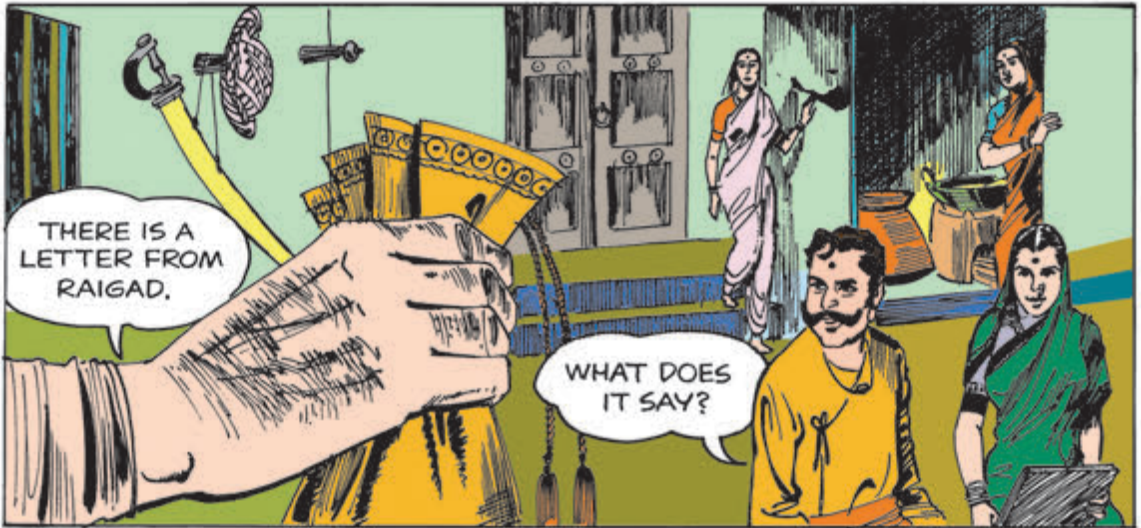


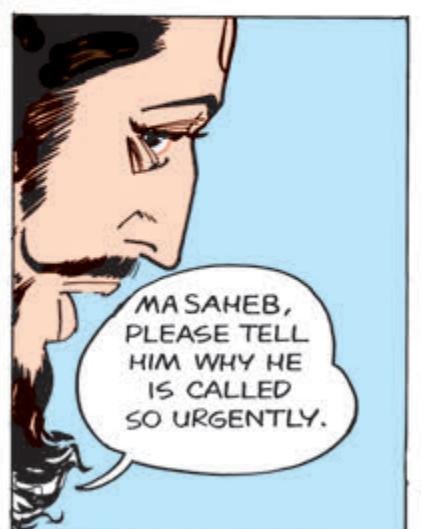
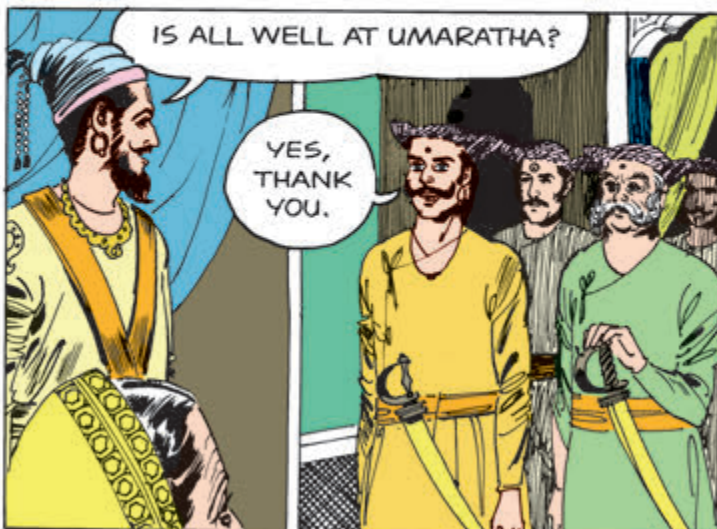
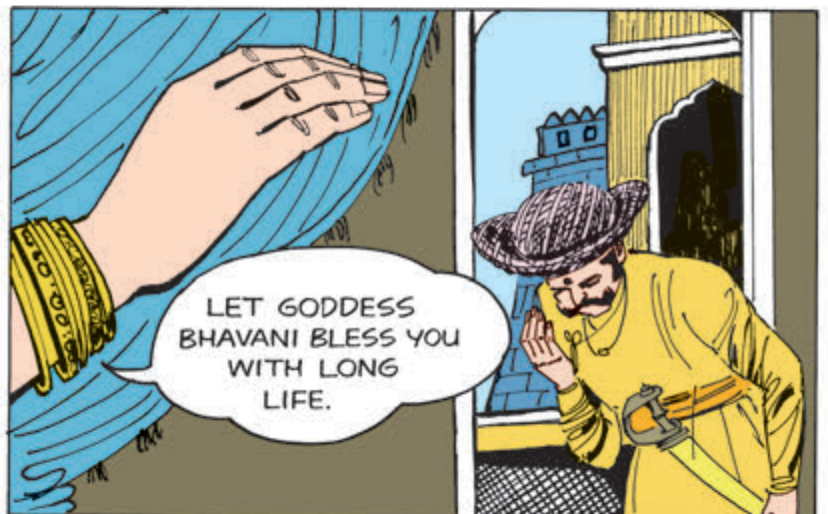


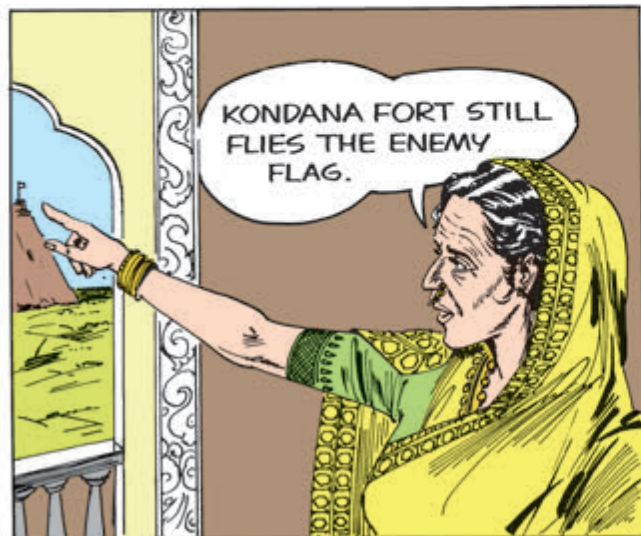


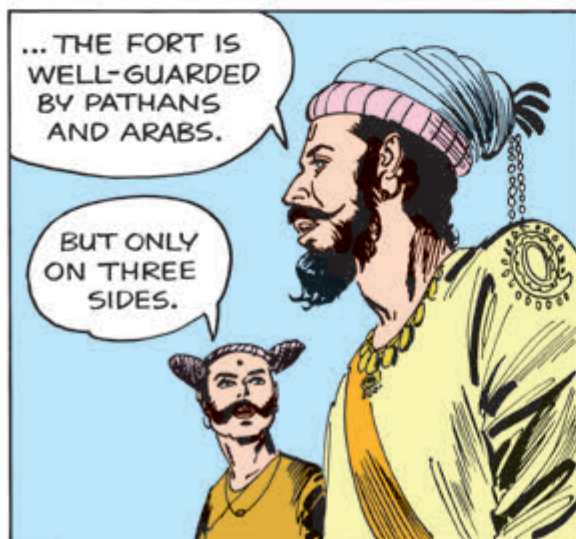
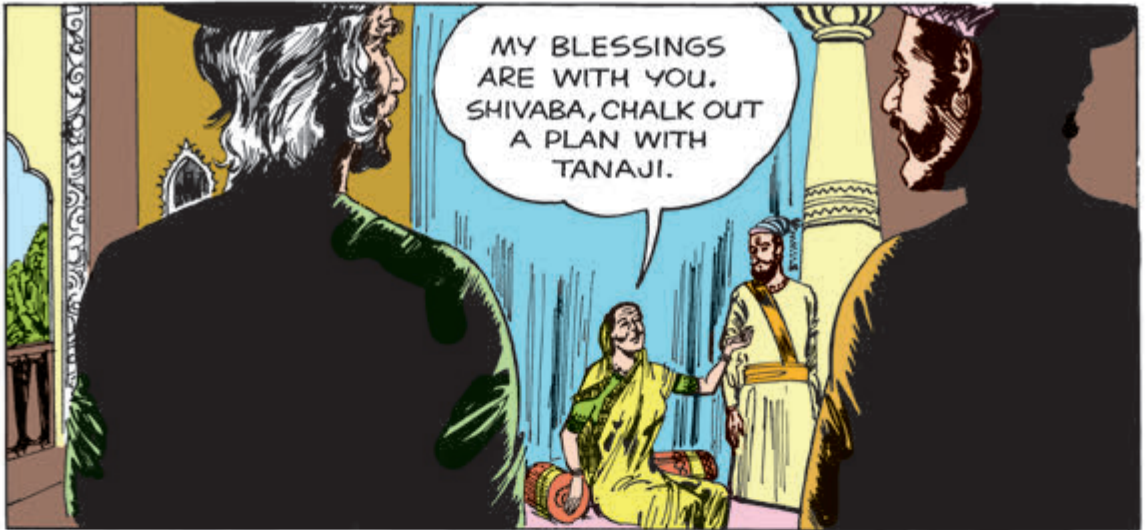




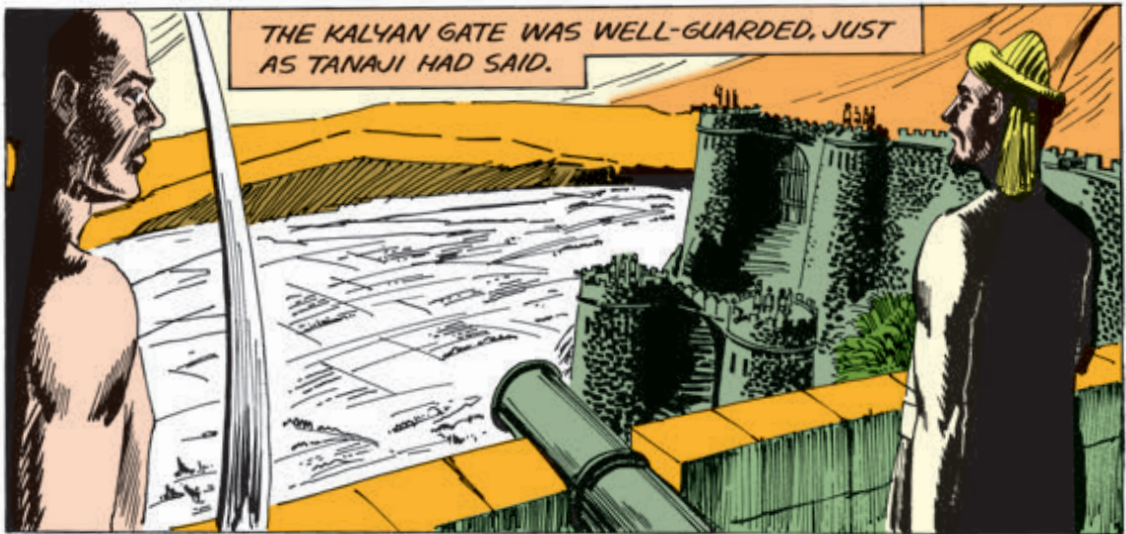












HE THREW YESHWANTI BUT SHE
SLITHERED BACK.



DEATH?
PERHAPS.
DEFEAT?
NEVER!

MASTER,
IT'S A
BAD
OMEN.



BE SENSIBLE,
THE LAZY REPTILE
HAS NO DIVINE
POWERS!



I SHALL MAKE
MINCEMEAT OF YOU
IF YOU DON'T
DO THE JOB.



HE AGAIN THREW HER AND SHE GRIPPED THE HARD ROCK.



NOW BROTHERS!
I'LL GO UP FIRST AND
THROW DOWN
MORE ROPES FOR
YOU. ONWARD
TO VICTORY.



LATER -



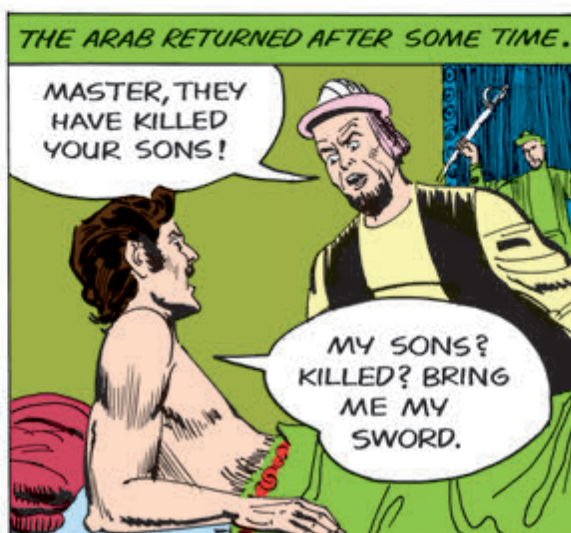
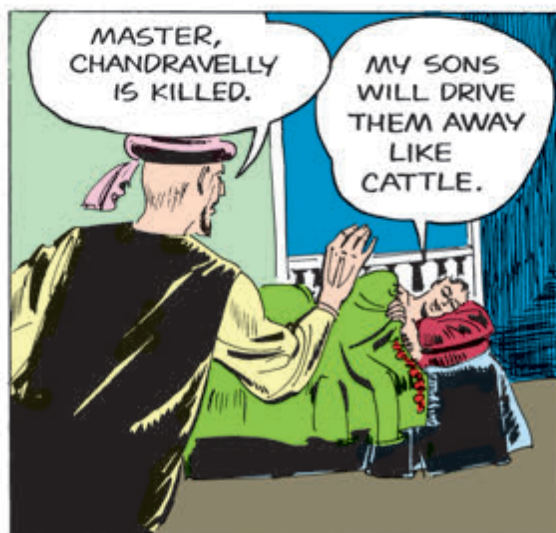
THUS THE MAVLAS ENTERED THE FORT AND ATTACKED THE UNWARY GUARDS.



UDAYABHANU TOO WAS ASLEEP.







HE RUSHED TOWARDS TANAJI AND A GRIM BATTLE ENSUED.



JAI
BHAVANI!



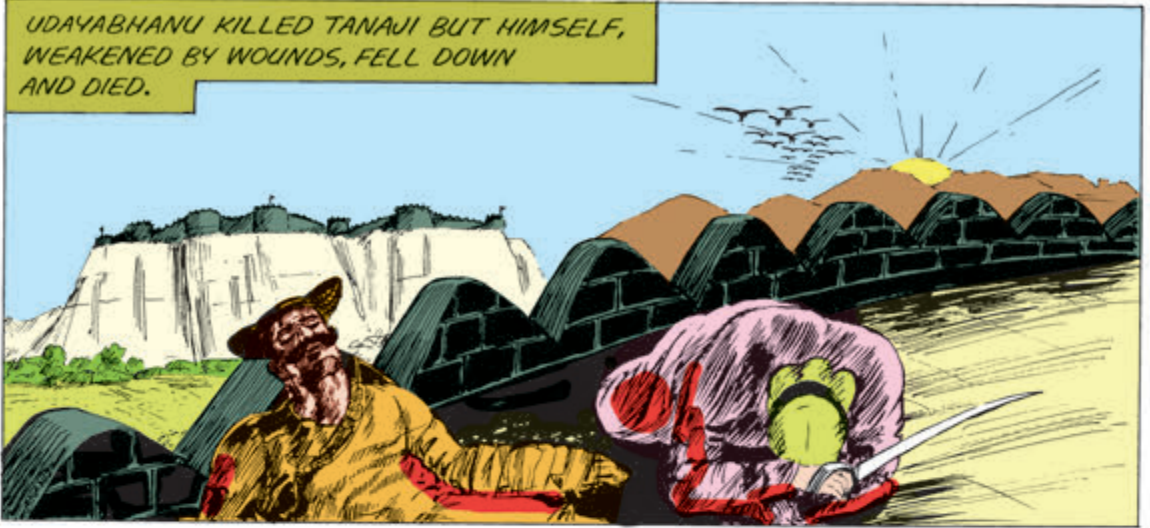
THE SKILLED SWORDSMEN FOUGHT VALIANTLY.



AT LAST—



UDAYABHANU KILLED TANAJI BUT HIMSELF, WEAKENED BY WOUNDS, FELL DOWN AND DIED.



MEANWHILE SURYAJI HAD OPENED THE KALYAN GATE AND HIS TROOPS POURED IN.



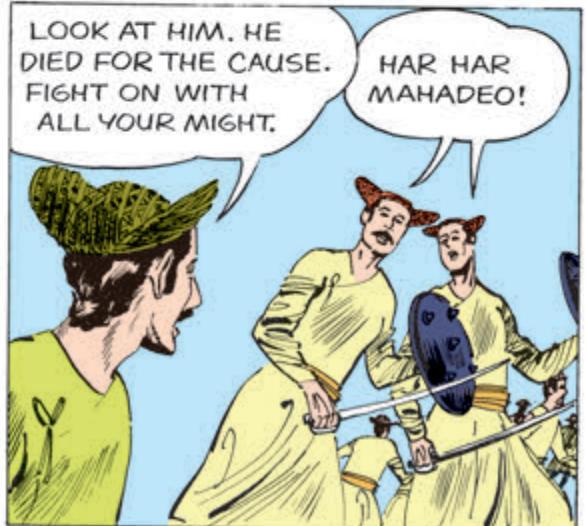
ALAS! OUR MASTER IS DEAD!

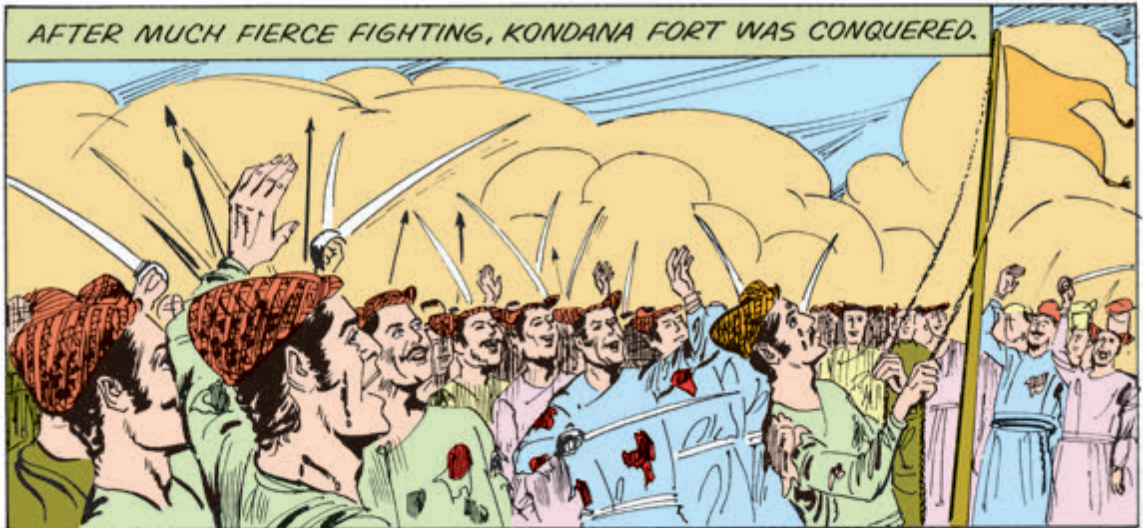
LET US RUN BACK.



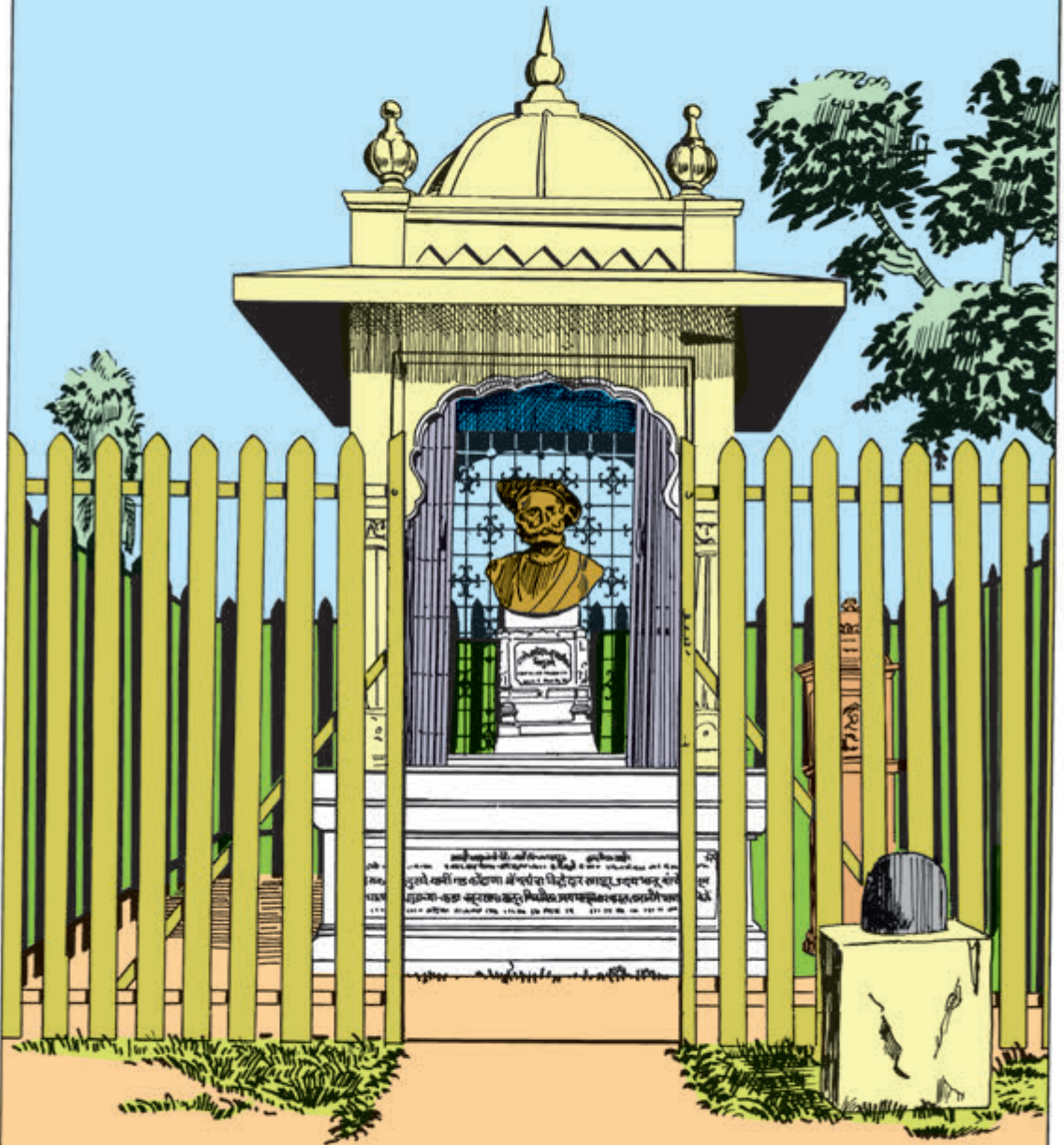
LOOK AT HIM. HE DIED FOR THE CAUSE. FIGHT ON WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT.

HAR HAR MAHADEO!





THE "SIMHA" WAS DEAD BUT HIS MEMORY WAS KEPT ALIVE. KONDANA FORT RECEIVED A NEW NAME - SIMHAGAD.



AT SIMHAGAD SHIVAJI BUILT A MONUMENT ON THE SPOT WHERE TANAJI WAS KILLED AND TILL THIS DAY IT IS KNOWN AS 'VIRASANA'.

WHICH OF THE ACKs HAVE YOU STILL NOT READ?

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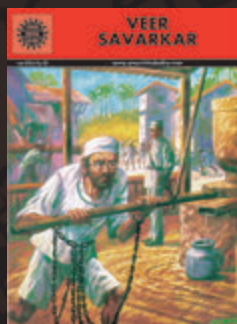
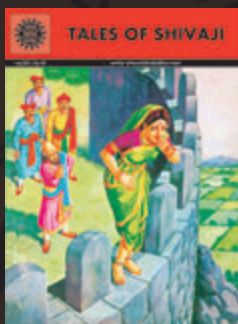
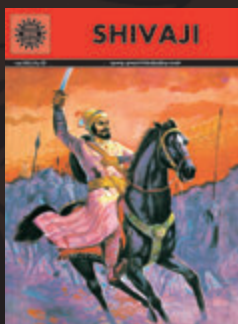


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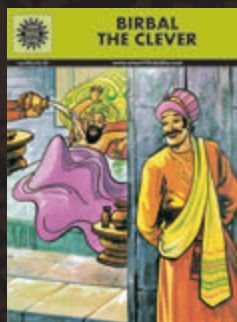
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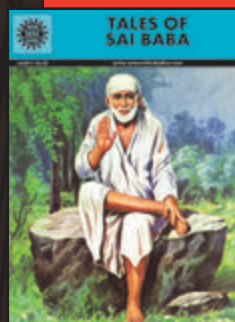
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